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Sir:

Applicant hereby transmits the attached "AMENDMENT, PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME, REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION and CREDIT CARD PAYMENT FORM" (21 pages) regarding the above-identified application.

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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit the filling of a response within the second month subsequent to the expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed September 14, 2004.

A payment in the amount of \$450.00 to cover the fee required for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (Case: 520.34403C12).

Respectfully submitted,

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